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## FIRST SALT BANKER HOME

Sch. Elector Hails for Over  
260,000 Pounds Cod

Capt. Morrissey Soon To Have  
New Craft.

Sch. Elector, Capt. Clayton Morrissey, arrived this morning with a fine fare of salt bank cod, being as usual the first of the salt bankers to arrive home. Capt. Morrissey hails for 260,000 pounds of salt cod—his usual haul, but the vessel looks to have quite a number of thousand pounds more.

Although the first home, Capt. Morrissey is about two weeks behind his arrival last year and also behind his arrival in 1905. This he attributes not so much to the scarcity of fish, as he does to the backwardness of the fishing season this spring.

For six weeks he has not seen a vessel of the salt bank fleet, so he could bring no late news from them. Indeed it was not possible to tell what the crafts had been doing of late and where they had been fishing.

In speaking of his own trip, Capt. Morrissey said he went first to the Peak, using up two frozen squid baitings there, taking one at Canso and the other at Halifax. On the Peak he got 90,000 pounds of fish. He then was fortunate in getting two baitings of fresh herring at Louisburg and North Sydney, fishing these out at Quero Bank, as he also did his first Magdalen baiting of fresh herring. He did not go to Scatteri or Cape North grounds at all.

On the second Magdalen baiting he struck up in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and off the coast of the island of Anticosti found good fishing, and when his bait was gone was fortunate in getting another supply at that island. On this he finished up his trip there, still alone, and came home, not having seen any of the fleet since he took his second Magdalen baiting.

Capt. Morrissey, who is a part owner of sch. Elector, has been in her several years, and has for many seasons been high line of the fleet, being one of the greatest salt bank skippers that ever went. He is soon to make a change and this fall will go from the firm of Cunningham & Thompson, going on Newfoundland herring trips in the winter and salt banking in the spring and summer.

For him, this concern is soon to have built what Designer McManus claims will be the largest and finest fishing craft afloat. The craft will be a regular knockabout, with no bowsprit, and will be about 130 feet over all. She is expected to combine speed, carrying capacity and seaworthiness, and her construction will be watched with much interest.

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## BATTLE WITH MAN-EATER.

Two Long Island Fishermen Capture Whiptail Shark.

A despatch from Amagansett, L. I., says that Capt. George Mulford and Capt. James Rose, two Long Island fishermen, had a thrilling experience with a whiptail shark on Sunday.

The men were tending their nets, when the shark, a 900-pounder, made his attack. This species of shark fights with his tail, and time and time again as it swished by the launch it whipped out of the water, trying to hit the men.

After a two hours' battle, in which the fishermen were in constant danger, Capt. George landed a good blow full on the shark's nose. Capt. Jim followed it up with another from his club, and the shark lay stunned on the surface. With a hatchet the last few inches of his tail were slashed off, making the big fish powerless. The bight of a running bowline was then slipped over a fin and the shark, which measured 21 feet in length, was towed ashore. The whiptail has a bad reputation as a man-eater, but it is seldom seen in northern waters.

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## OVER \$16,000

Sch. Priscilla Smith's Stock a  
Most Remarkable One.

Probably the Largest Ever Made  
on a Single Trip.

Sch. Priscilla Smith, Capt. William J. Corkum, which arrived home from the Cape Shore this noon with 400 barrels of salt mackerel, will probably have the biggest stock ever made by a fishing vessel on a single voyage.

In April Capt. Corkum went south with the southern mackerel fleet and did phenomenally well. When many of the vessels had come along to the eastward, he hung well to the southward hunting for the schools of medium fish which had disappeared for the time being. And he found them and several more big trips were the result. Later on he came to the eastward, up off Block Island and caught a fare, marketing at Newport.

Then, although this was well into June and in spite of the fact that some of the Cape Shore fleet had left there and come back out south, Capt. Corkum held to his idea that the fish would be very late on the Cape Shore and surprised all by leaving out south and going there, arriving at Liverpool a few days before any fish were taken there.

On the Cape Shore he struck another fine fare, 400 barrels, and came home for the first time since leaving in April. Out south he stocked about \$12,400 gross, which would give the craft a net stock to the southward of about \$10,800. The Cape Shore trip will probably add over \$4000 to this amount, so that, since leaving home in April the Priscilla Smith has a gross stock of about \$16,500 and probably a little better, or a net stock of better than \$15,000.

This is certainly magnificent work and Capt. Corkum will be heartily congratulated by his many friends on the big financial returns of his judgment and skill in following the elusive mackerel schools. He and the crew stand to make probably the biggest share ever made by a Gloucester fishing vessel on one trip at one settlement.

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## Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Elva L. Spurling, south, seining, 30 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sch. Parthia, Cape Shore, 70 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sloop Eva Avina, Block Island, 8000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Gladys and Sabra, via Boston, 20,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Massasoit, south, netting.

Sch. M. Madeline, south, netting.

Sch. J. W. Bradley, south, seining.

## Today's Fish Market.

Bank halibut, 10 cts. per lb. for white and 5 1-2 cts. or gray.

Market price large western cod to split, \$2.75 per cwt., medium do., \$1.75.

Large eastern cod, \$2.50, medium do., \$1.75.

Market price fresh large Rips cod, \$2.75 per cwt., medium do., \$1.75.

Market price, salt bank cod, \$4 per cwt. for large and \$3.25 for medium.

Market price salt Rips cod, \$4.50 per cwt. for large, \$3.50 for medium, \$2.50 for snappers and \$2 for haddock and \$1.50 for pollock.

Fresh round pollock, 70c per cwt.

Market price fresh hake, \$1.40 per cwt.

Large fresh mackerel, 10 1-2 cts. each.

Fresh medium mackerel 5 cts. each.

Cape Shore salt mackerel, \$11 per bbl.

Market price fresh cusk, \$1.75 per cwt.

Cox's ledge dory handline salt cod, \$4.75 per cwt. for large and \$3.75 for mediums.

Dressed fresh pollock, 80 cts. per cwt.

Cape North fresh codfish, \$2.50 per cwt. for large and \$1.75 for medium.

Fresh whiting, 50c per bbl.

Salt Cape North cod, \$4 per cwt. for large and \$3.25 for medium.

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Sch. Catherine and Ellen, 25,000 haddock, 2000 cod, 8000 hake.

Sch. Frances V. Silva, 14,000 haddock, 9000 cod.

Sch. Buema, 10,000 haddock, 12,000 cod.

Sch. Philip P. Manta, 10,000 haddock, 2000 cod.

Steamer Bryda F., 30 bbls. fresh herring.

Sch. Rose Dorothea, 10,000 haddock, 7000 cod.

Sch. Carrie F. Roberts, 6000 haddock, 1000 cod.

Sch. Viking, 16,000 haddock, 3000 cod.

Haddock, \$2 per cwt.; large cod, \$6; market cod, \$1.50 to \$1.75.

## Mackerel Notes.

The fare of sch. Helen G. Wells sold to Fred Bradley.

The fare of sch. Priscilla Smith sold to the Gorton-Pew Fisheries Co. at \$11 per barrel.

Sch. Agnes will now fit for seining under command of Capt. Albert McDonald.

Sch. Effie M. Prior, Capt. Elroy Prior, stocked \$4100 as the result of her week's seining trip, the crew sharing an even \$100.

Sch. Dauntless was at Whitehead, N. S., on Monday and Capt. Downey in telegraphing to ask, the mackerel news up this way, said that there were signs of fish off there.

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## SEVERAL FINE FRESH FARES.

Seiners Celebrated Glorious  
Fourth Profitably

## SALT CAPE SHORES ADVANCE

Stock and Share of Sch. Priscilla  
Smith Never Equalled.

Sch. Priscilla Smith, Capt. William J. Corkum, stocked \$16,675.65, as the result of her recent southern and Cape Shore seining trip, the crew making the splendid share of \$381.37 each, the cook getting \$493.37 as his share. This is believed to be the biggest stock and share ever made by a vessel in the fisheries from this port on one trip. One instance is known where half the crew were hired men on wages and the other half sharesmen, got a larger share than this, but no trip is known, where all hands were on shares, where such a large share was made as by the men of sch. Priscilla Smith. The result of the trip is very gratifying all around and Capt. Corkum is certainly to be congratulated on his big work.

The crew of sch. Independence II. shared \$107 each, as the result of their recent southern and Cape Shore trip.

Capt. Charles H. Harty did a hustle. He was determined to get out in the new sch. Clintonia before the Fourth, if possible. All hands worked hard Wednesday and at 7.30 o'clock that evening the handsome craft sailed on her maiden trip.

Sch. Natalie B. Nickerson with 85 barrels of fresh mackerel and sch. Grayling with 25 barrels of fresh mackerel were at Newport yesterday.

And still we hear good news of mackerel to the southward, and well to the southward too. Sch. Saladin, Capt. Flar McKown, arrived at Newport, late Wednesday afternoon, with a monster fare, between 350 and 400 barrels of large fresh mackerel, taken



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that day 10 miles south of Montauk Point. Capt. McKown is doing a big hustle, as on Sunday last he was at Newport with 272 barrels of large fresh ones.

Sch. A. M. Nicholson, Capt. Solomon Jacobs, arrived here Thursday afternoon with a fine fare of 15,000 large fresh mackerel and 25 barrels of salt mackerel, taken off the South Shoal lightship.

Three more of the Cape Shore seining fleet have arrived home, sch. Selma with 197 barrels, sch. Natalie J. Nelson with 200 barrels and sch. Yakima with 140 barrels. There are now only two of the Cape Shore fleet to arrive, schs. Aloha and Hattie M. Graham.

Fresh mackerel brought 15 cents each at Boston yesterday.

Sch. Victor, Capt. John W. McFarland, arrived at Boston this morning from the Rips with 8000 large fresh mackerel. He reports sch. Mary E. Hartly there and working on fish.

Sch. Thomas J. Carroll arrived at Boston yesterday with 5000 large fresh mackerel, taken on the Rips.

Sch. A. M. Nicholson, which arrived here yesterday with a fare of fresh mackerel, went to Boston last evening to market the fare. Capt. Jacobs reported taking the fare 65 miles east by south from Sankaty Head, which would be on the southwest part of Georges. The captain also reports seeing some schools off Highland light, which he rowed out to and found to be medium fish.

Salt Cape Shore mackerel took a rise this morning, the fares of schs. Selma and Natalie J. Nelson selling to Fred Bradley at \$11.75 per barrel. The fare of sch. Yakima is still unsold. This is an advance of 75 cents per barrel.

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#### Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Yakima, Cape Shore, 140 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sch. Selma, Cape Shore, 190 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sch. A.M. Nicholson, South Shoal, 15,000 large fresh mackerel, 25 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sch. Natalie J. Nelson, Cape Shore, 200 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sch. Francis J. O'Hara Jr., Maine Coast, 110,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Olive F. Hutchins, Maine Coast, 60,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Rose Dorothea, via Boston.

Sch. Nettie Franklin, via Boston.

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Sch. Thomas J. Carroll, 5000 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Mattie Brundage, 8000 cod.

Sch. Margie Smith, 30,000 cod.

Sch. Appomattox, 48,000 cod.

Sch. Rebecca, 27,000 cod.

Sch. Morning Star, 900 haddock, 700 cod, 500 pollock.

Sch. Boyd and Leeds, 33,000 cod.

Sch. A. M. Nicholson, 15,000 large fresh mackerel, 25 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sch. Victor, 8000 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Genesta, 20,000 haddock, 20,000 cod.

Sch. Jessie Costa, 11,000 haddock, 21,000 cod.

Sch. Laura Enos, 1000 haddock, 1000 cod.

Sch. Ellen C. Burke, 68,000 cod.

Haddock, \$2.50 to \$2.75 per cwt.; large cod, \$3.50 to \$4; market cod, \$1.50 to \$1.75; pollock, \$1.50; fresh mackerel, 15 cts. each.

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## MODUS VIVENDI CONSIDERED.

### Conference at Colonial Arms Yesterday Afternoon

#### CONG. GARDNER PRESENT.

#### Met Committee of the Local Board of Trade.

Congressman Gardner was in this city yesterday and in the afternoon met a committee of the Board of Trade in conference at the Colonial Arms, Eastern Point, when the matter of the modus vivendi between this country and Great Britain with relation to the herring fishery at Newfoundland was considered and discussed at length.

The situation was discussed quite generally and all gave their views as to the best arrangement to be made for this coming season, there being no likelihood of a permanent and definite settlement being brought about this year.

No definite action was taken, but the whole matter was left in the hands of Congressman Gardner to represent the situation here and do the best he could with the state department.

Those present beside Congressman Gardner and W. W. Lufkin, his private secretary, were President Thomas J. Carroll of the Board of Trade, Collector of Customs William H. Jordan, Benjamin A. Smith, Frank C. Pearce and Capt. Carl C. Young.

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#### CAPT. ANSTRUTHER'S HONORS.

#### Are Not Very Pleasing to Some at St. John's, N. F.

In speaking of the recent appointment by King Edward of Capt. Anstruther of the Brilliant to become a C. M. G. in recognition of his services during the herring troubles at Bay of Islands, N. F., the St. John's Herald says:

"This appointment seems to furnish the most serious evidence of the gravity of the present situation as regards the herring fishery dispute. Capt. Anstruther's attitude last season evoked very severe criticism from the authorities here, and protests against it were cabled to England.

"The honoring of Capt. Anstruther now can only be regarded as an intimation by the Imperial cabinet that what he then did they approve of and that they are standing by him in this.

"If there was a prospect of a settlement now it is hardly likely that they would choose the present time to honor him when the same recognition might be conferred in November and not take on the aspect it will bear to some now. Hence, we conclude that the aspect for an amicable settlement is not promising."

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#### REJOICING AT ST. PIERRE.

#### Catch of the Bankers Is Largest for Years.

The harbor of St. Pierre, Miquelon, is blocked with large barks and schooners, arriving from the fishing grounds with good catches. The spring trip is very bright and hopes of a better season are expressed. Contrary to expectations the average catch so far is twice as large as last year. Fish green, worth 25 francs per quintal, are being quickly bought up by Lamourie Francaise and Leborgne where the vessels are being daily unloaded. The larger metropolitan vessels average from 1000 quintals and upwards. In fact, the catches are the best for years, and as a result great rejoicing is felt all over the island.

However, there is lack of transports to carry the fish to France, and several cargoes of salt, which have been expected for some time have not arrived.

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## IN DOUBLE QUICK TIME.

### Sch. Constellation Secures Another Fine Mackerel Trip.

#### Sch. Emerald at Newport with 75 Barrels Large Fish.

Sch. Constellation, Capt. Thaddeus Morgan, is at T wharf, Boston, this morning, with a fine fare of 16,000 large fresh mackerel in count, selling at 12 cents each. Capt. Morgan only went out Wednesday morning, so he got his trip in short order.

It is supposed that the fish were taken on the Rips, or in the vicinity of the South Shoal lightship. Capt. Morgan reports ten other seiners there and that some of them made hauls and salted. The fish were in small schools and it was small schools which were salted.

A special to the Times this forenoon reports the arrival at Newport, R. I., this morning of sch. Emerald, Capt. Albert Greenlaw, with 75 barrels of large fresh mackerel, caught 15 miles northwest of the South Shoal lightship.

Sch. Norma, Capt. Charles Doucette, stocked \$4700 on her recent Cape Shore seining trip, the crew sharing \$108.

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#### GLOOMY OUTLOOK.

#### For the Northern Newfoundland Salt Cod Fishery.

The steamer Portia, at St. John's, N. F., a few days ago, brings report that the northern fishery is almost a total failure, and not for years has the outlook been so gloomy. The season is early, it is true, but at this date last year, prospects were much brighter. In Green, Bonavista and Trinity Bays no cod has been taken during the last week, and the fishermen everywhere are downcast at the prospect.

#### Big School of Whales.

Scores of mammoth whales were seen off Chatham Thursday by the officers and crew of the steamship Lillie, which arrived at Boston yesterday from Bowden, Jamaica. The great school came close to the steamship. One of them ran across her bow, just escaping being hit by the steel prow.

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#### Caplin at Newfoundladd.

Reports from Harbor Breton, N. F., state that caplin are now plenty all along the coast and that the shore trawlers are doing well.

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#### Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Catherine Burke, Cape North, 50,000 lbs. salt cod, 40,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Margie Smith, via Boston, 25,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Appomattox, via Boston, 40,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Rebecca, via Boston, 25,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Boyd and Leeds, via Boston, 30,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Ellen C. Burke, via Boston, 65,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Mattie D. Brundage, via Boston.

Sch. A. M. Nicholson, via Boston.

#### Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Electric Flash, seining.

Sch. Vera, shacking.

Sch. Little Fannie, swordfishing.

Sch. Margaret Dillon, shacking.

Sch. Independence II., seining.

Sch. Blanche F. Irving, swordfishing.

Sch. Hattie L. Trask, seining.

Sch. Mary E. Silveria, shacking.

Sch. Muriel, seining.

Sch. Elva L. Spurling, seining.

Sch. Terra Nova, seining.

Sch. Manhasset, seining.

Sch. Patrician, seining.

Sch. James R. Clark, Rips.

Sch. Almeida, swordfishing.